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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to crystals of phosphorylated Aurora-A kinase fragment alone and in complex with a ligand, amino acid residues 1-43 of human TPX2. This invention also relates to methods for designing and selecting ligands, in particular allosteric inhibitors of Aurora-A, that bind to the Aurora-A kinase and their use. Further, the present invention relates to certain indene and indole derivatives. The present invention relates to crystals of phosphorylated Aurora-A kinase alone and in complex with a ligand, amino acid residues 1-43 of human TPX2. This invention also relates to methods for designing and selecting ligands that bind to the Aurora-A kinase and their use. Further, the present invention relates to certain indene and indole derivative.

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